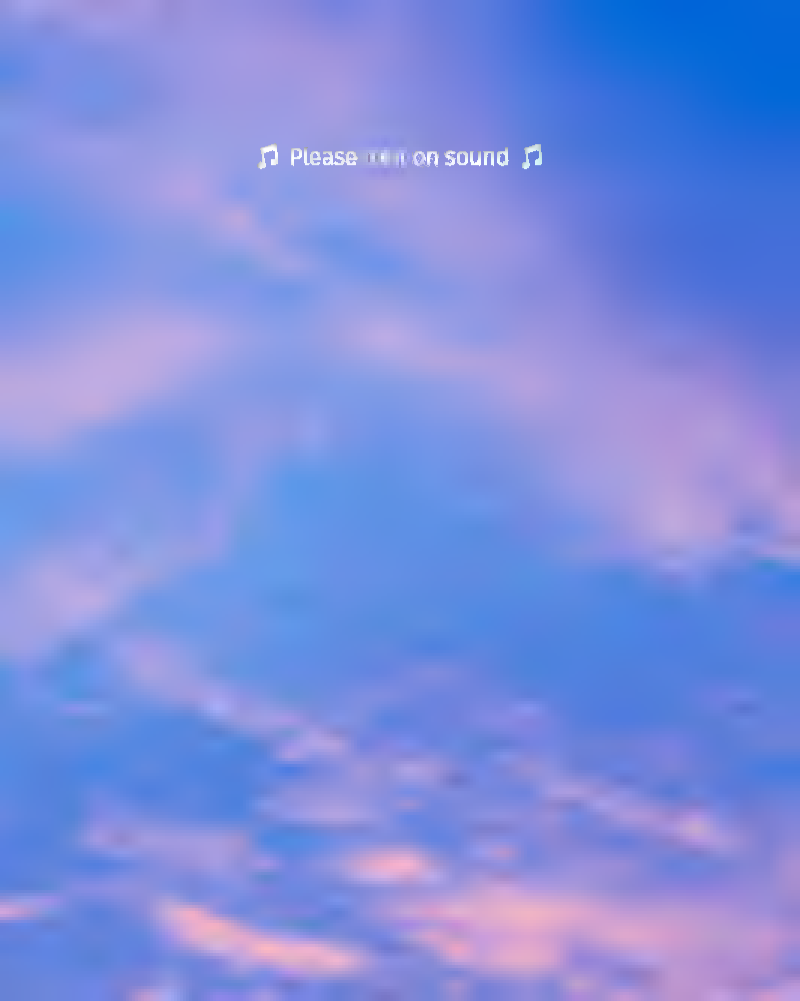

Please turn on sound

HELIOS:FEMINA

The Violet Fire

Your Grace,
..you called for me.
Zuka,

...my faithful knight,
...this man standing before us,

...has promised me salvation.

I will lean on you to help Prince Rey forge a dragon blade.
Your Grace,

...you have my word,

...and my sword.
Prince Rey

it has
been said,
that a true
dragon blade
master,

...is capable of splitting
...a waterfall in two.
I believe

it.
Once, I witnessed a man,
...slice a hundred flames in half.
Oh, and Zuka?

Please...
...call me Rey.

Arrrgh,
HUFF HUFF
It's useless.

It won't burn any hotter.
I'm sorry.
Rey,

...inside each and every one of us,

...lives an eternal fire.

It is spirit.

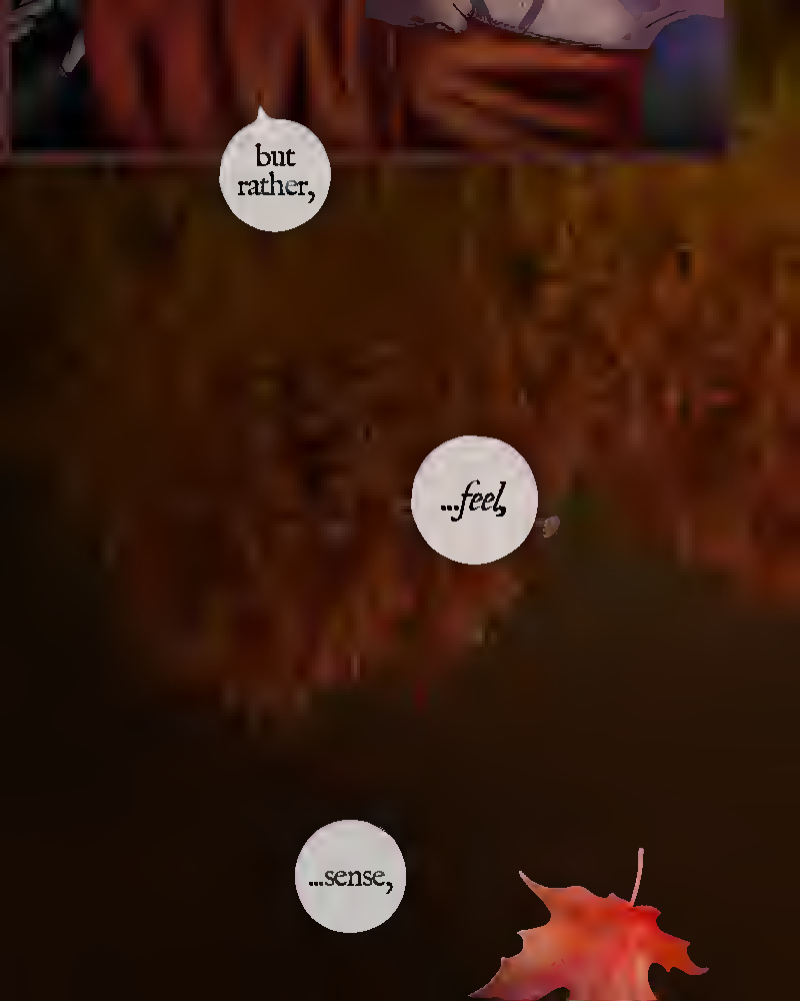
Spirit must be motivated, so speak to it Rey.
How do I do that?
First, quiet your mind.
Listen,

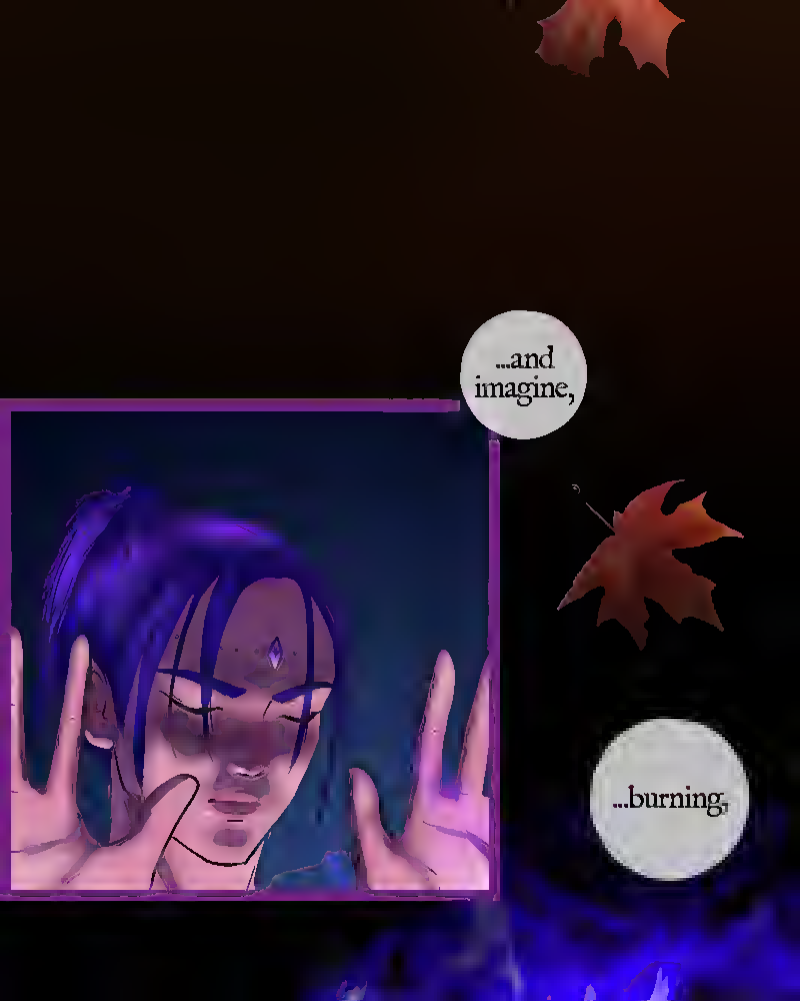
carefully.

What do you hear?

The sound of fire.

Good.
Stay focused.
Don't just see,


but rather,
...feel,
...sense,


...and imagine,
...burning.

...mad,
...like violet fire.

Zuka,
I have a favor to ask.

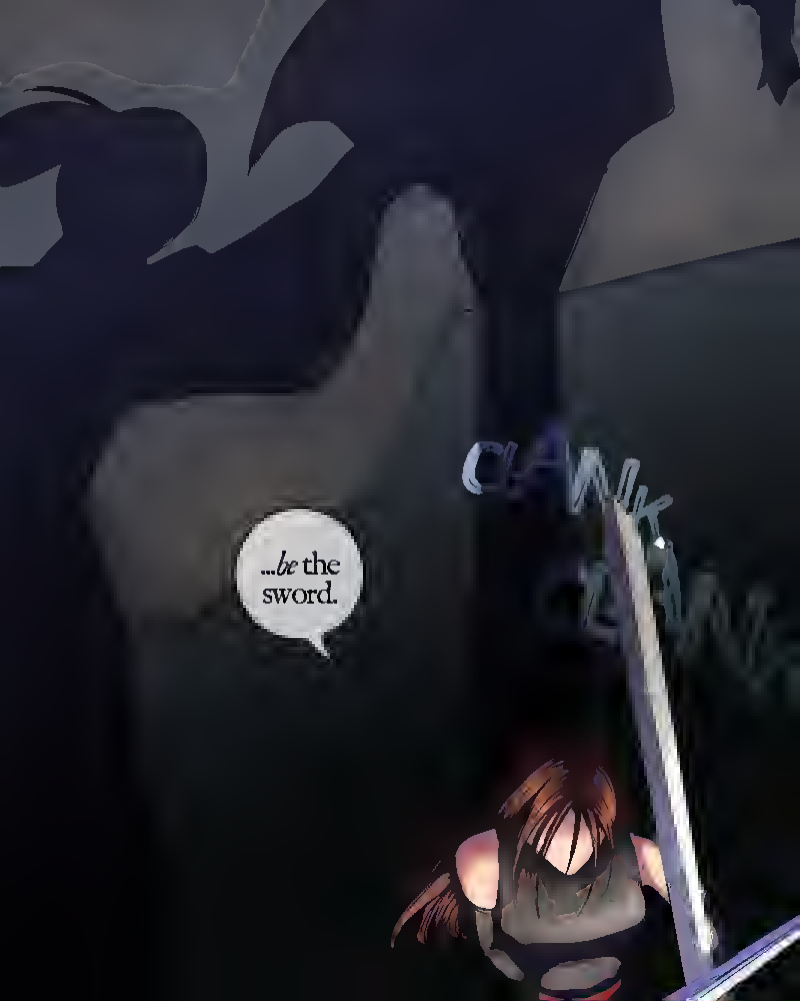
Could you teach me the way of the sword?
Rey,

...do you fear pain?
Pain?

I... don't know.
I've lived with pain for so long.

Then, allow pain to become your teacher.
Learn from it,
...and grow from it.
CLANK

CLANK
Don't just fight *with* your sword,


CLANK
...*be* the sword.

Feel its rage,

power,

...and
pain.

Channel your power through spirit,

...and the impossible,
...becomes possible again.

Rey...

...you are ready.

Wait
here.

Zuka,
...keep her majesty safe.

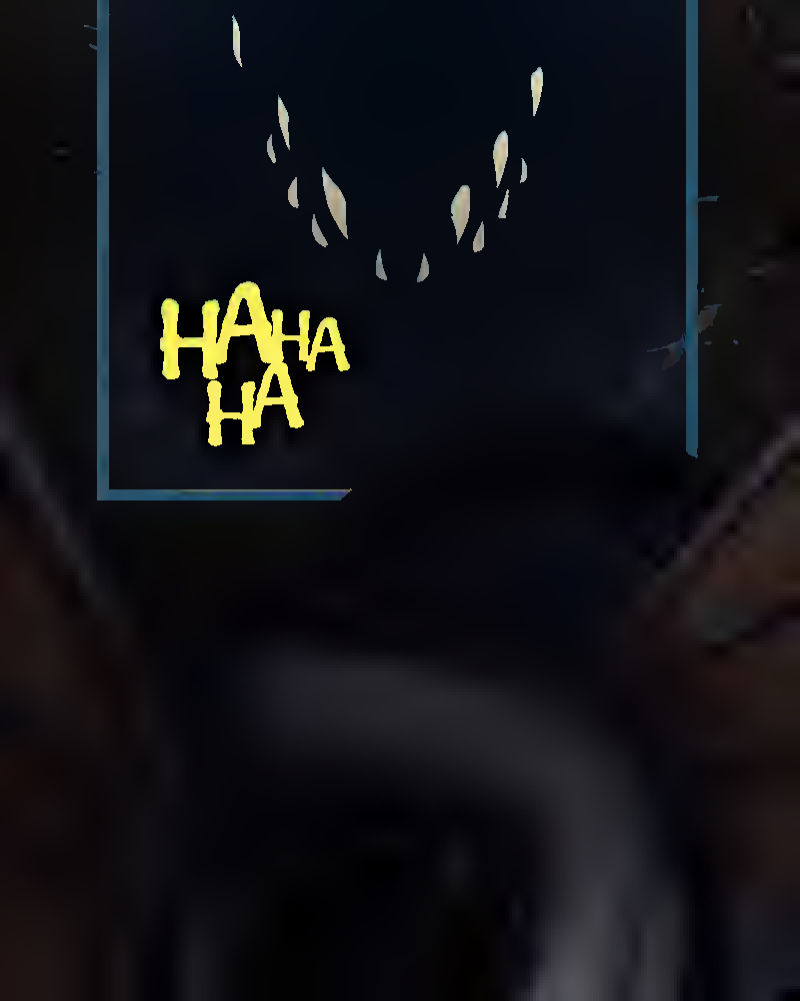
I'll handle this.

I see you,
beast.

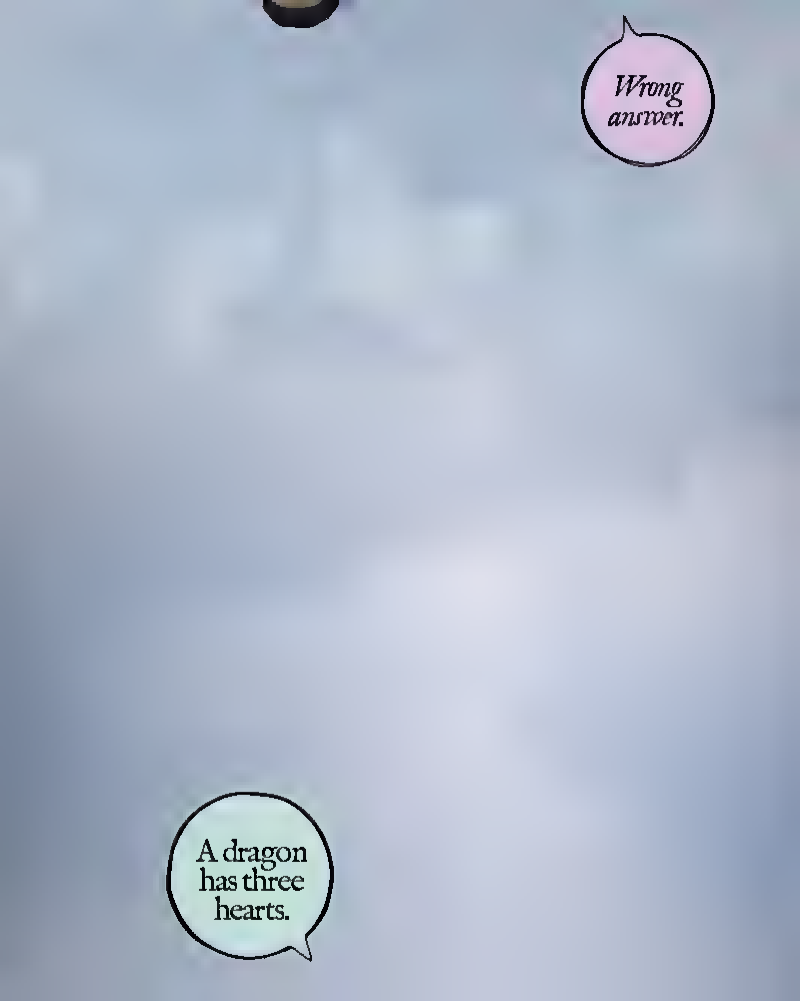
HMMMMMM?
YOU ARE NO PRINCESS.

In exchange for Princess Sah's freedom.
...I offer you peace.

PEACE?


HAHA
HA

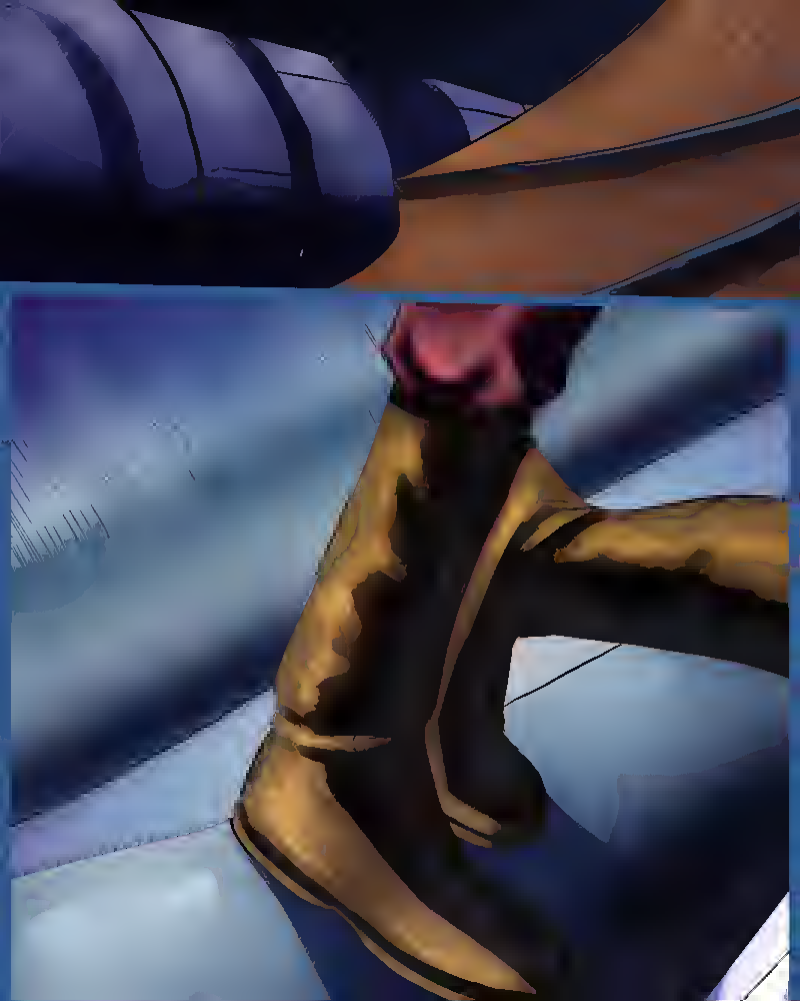
...AND IF I REFUSE?

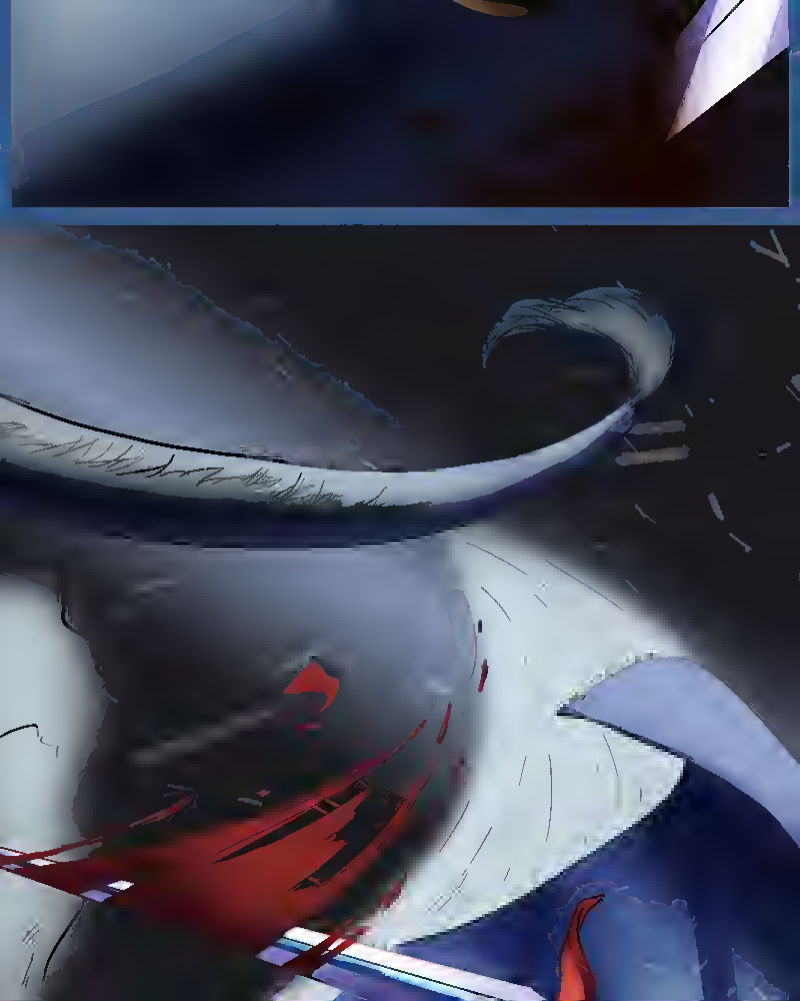

Wrong answer.
A dragon has three hearts.

Strike here,
...here,
...and here,

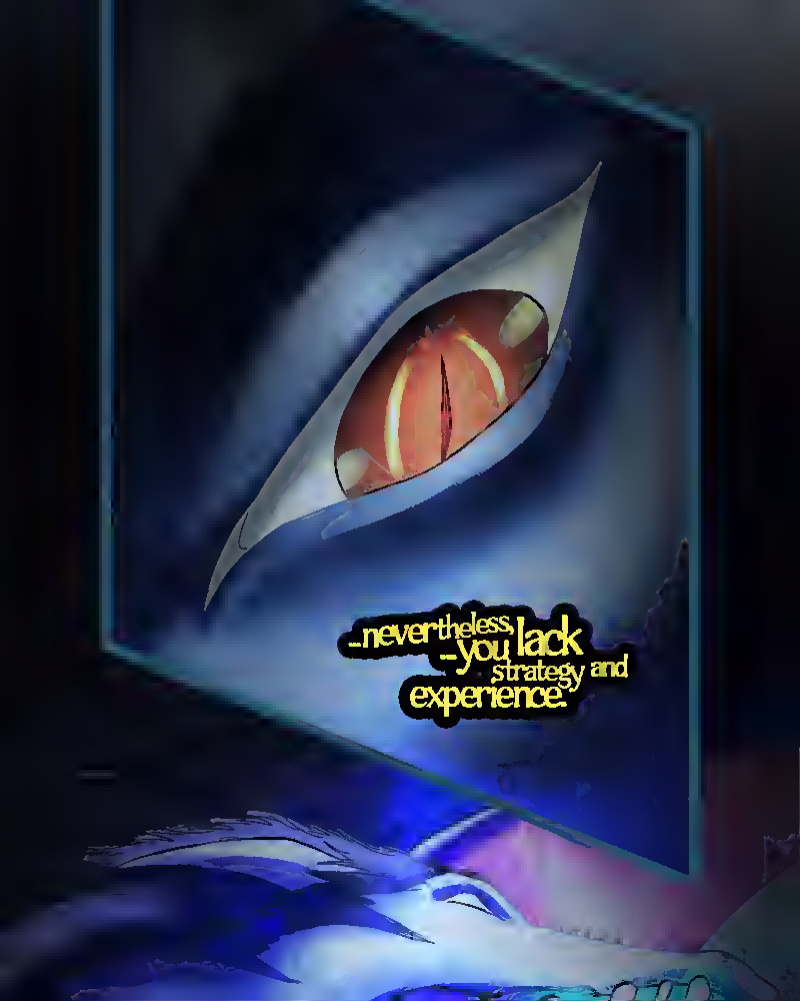
...and watch the beast fall.

GUSHA
WHAT?!





You fight
with great vigor,
dragon blade
wielder,


...nevertheless, you lack strategy and experience.

Be wary of a dragon's battle cry.
Their voice alone has the ability.

...of unleashing the great inferno.
HAHA HA HAH

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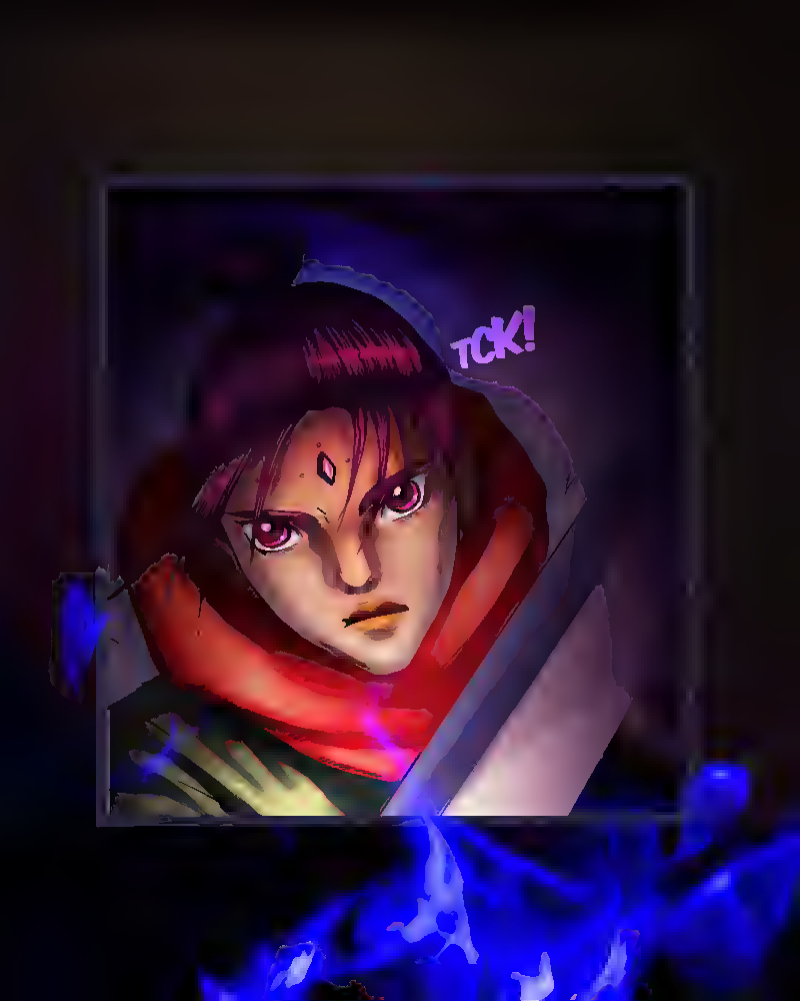
HUFF
HUFF


TCK!

HAHA
HAHA

Farewell
dragon blade
wielder.

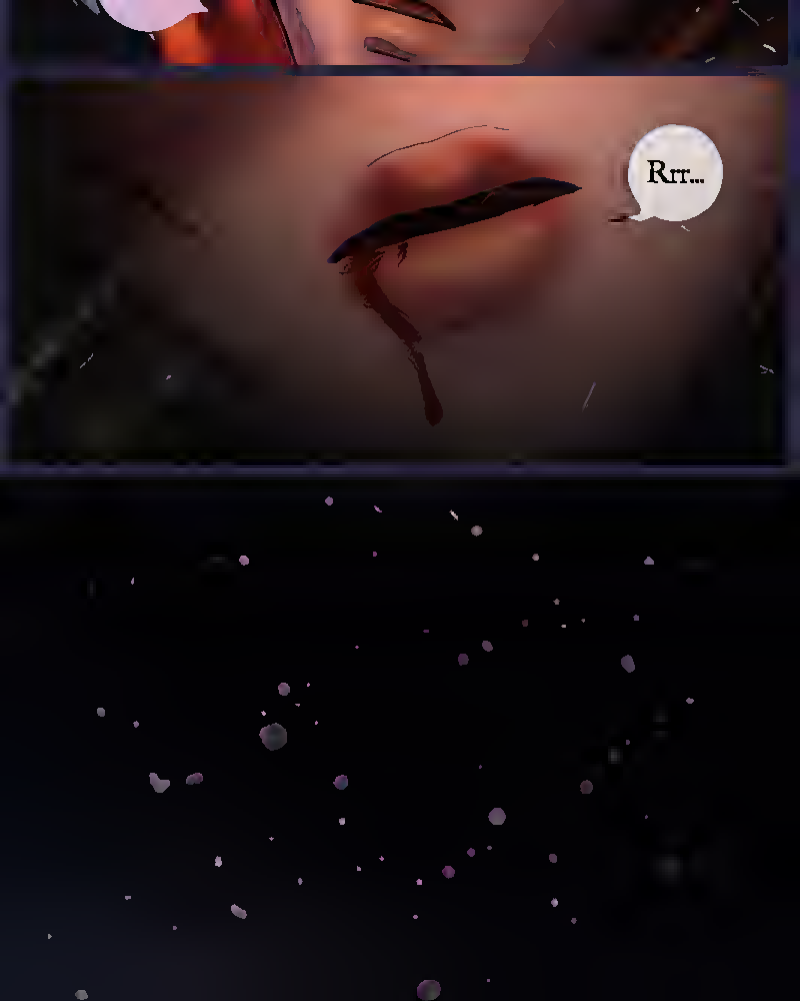
NOOOOO

SKREEEEEEK!

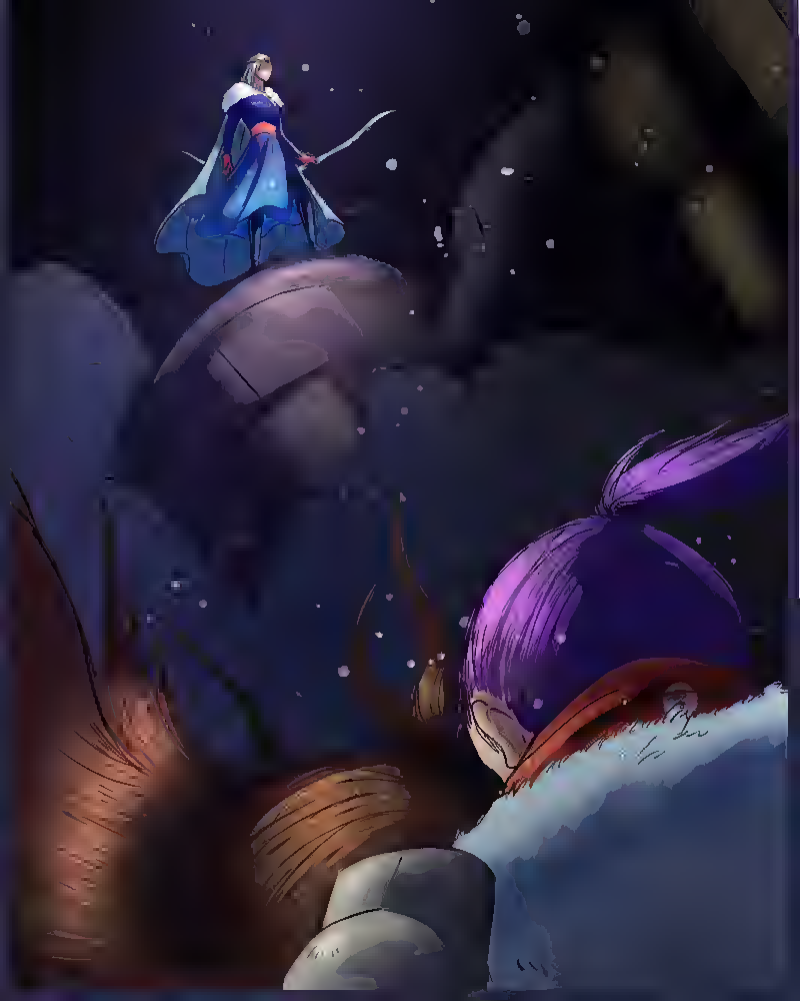
HUFF

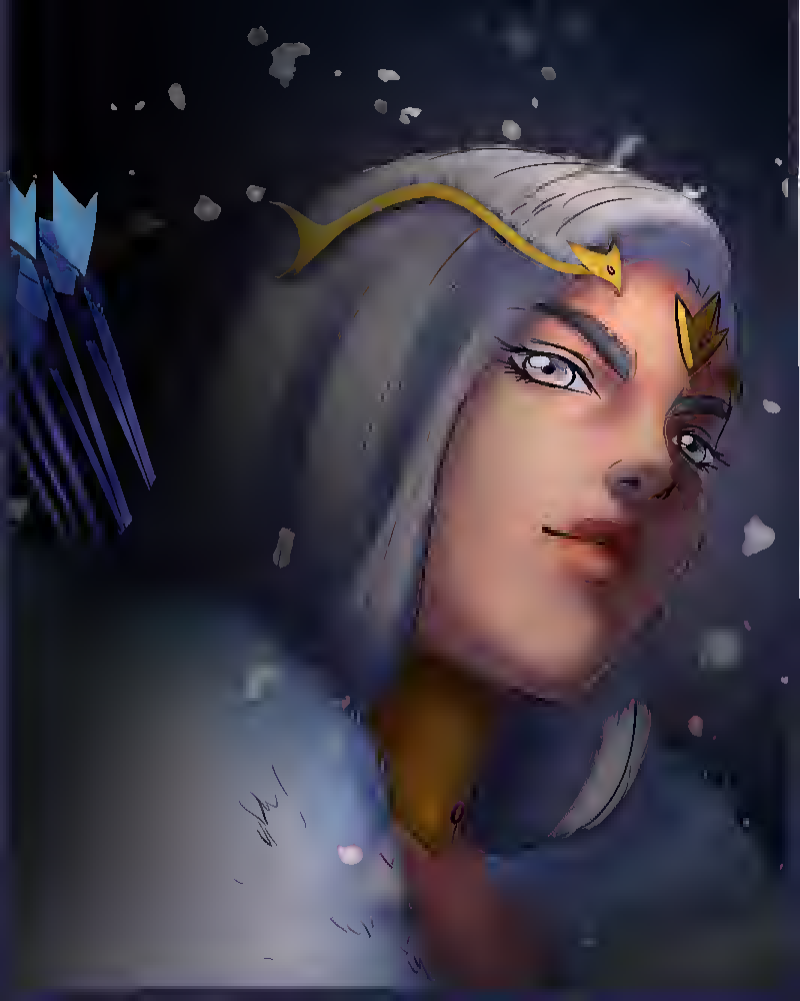
Zuka.

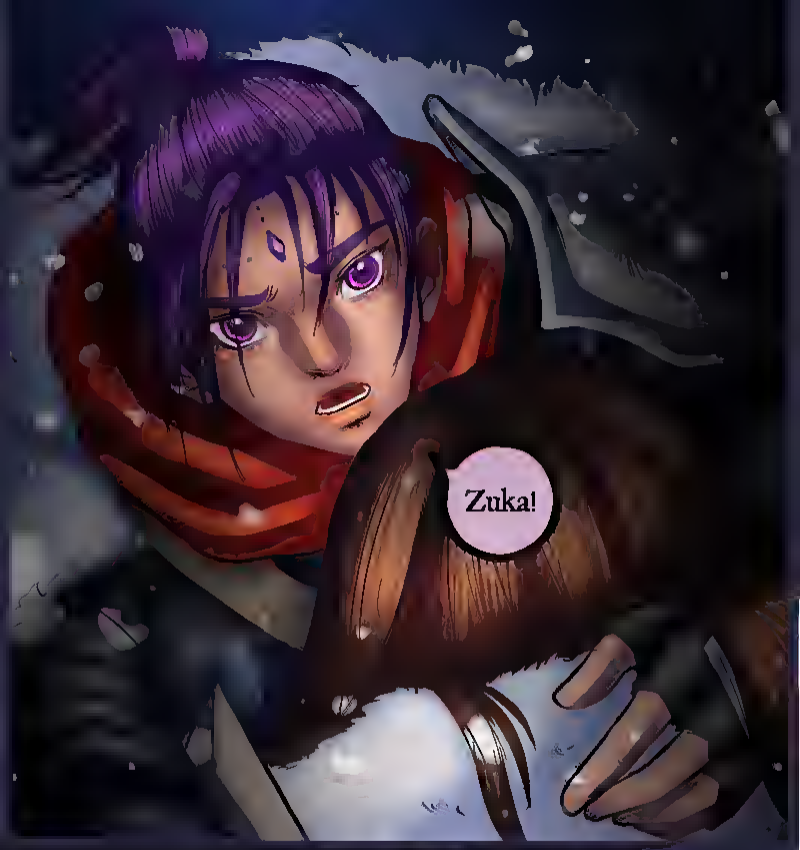
Zuka?


Rrr...

...ey.
GASP!



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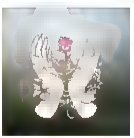

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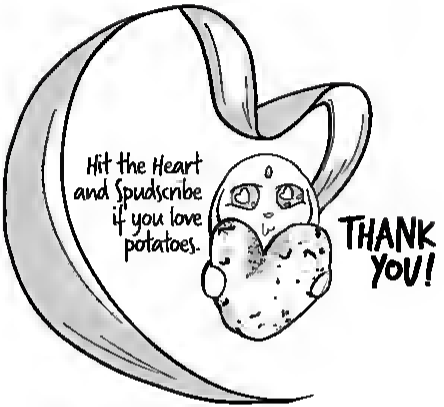

A GOLDEN POODLE